

HARD-CORE JOBLESS GO TO WORK

Blonde Is Willing; Wallace Isn't

Twin Cities  
Program  
Successful

Habitual  
Criminal  
Act Upheld

Allows Stiffer  
Sentences For  
Repeat Offenders

LANSING (AP) —The State Court of Appeals has upheld the constitutionality of Michigan's Habitual Criminal Act, a 1927 law allowing stiffer prison sentences for repeating criminal offenders.

But, in a separate decision, the court held that proceedings under the statute must be before a new jury, and not the one which returns the latest felony conviction.

Defendant William J. Birmingham challenged the validity of the law in his appeal of a life sentence received upon his conviction of a fourth felony.

Birmingham's appeal claimed the law, as amended in 1949, violates the constitution's due process clause because it is left to the prosecutor to decide whether to apply the law and press for the longer prison term.

The appeals court said, however, that a prosecutor is a quasi-judicial officer with traditional discretion in instituting criminal proceedings.

A prosecutor, the court added, must not act "by reason of caprice or in such a manner as to result in invidious discrimination of persons or groups." It added Birmingham had not proved such discrimination in his case.

The appeals court did, however, order a new trial in the case of prison escapee Kenneth G. Stratton, whose "second felony" conviction was handed down five minutes after the same jury had convicted him of the prison break.

The court said that as long as Michigan remains one of 31 states in which habitual criminal charges must be tried separately from the felony charges, they must be weighed by different juries.

**DIFFERENT JURIES**  
"The prosecution's desire to simplify trial of second felony charges in prison escape cases is understandable," the court said. "However, the appropriate statutory and constitutional provisions do not permit the procedures here followed."

The court by a 2-1 decision also ordered a new trial for Leonard Ferguson, who was given a 30-to-50-year sentence in Genesee County Circuit Court following his guilty plea to an armed robbery charge.

The court said the failure of the trial judge to advise Ferguson he faced a two-year minimum sentence if his plea were accepted violated a Michigan court rule that the judge make certain a guilty plea is "understandingly" made.



**ROMANCE?:** Ja-Neen Welch of Indianapolis, Ind., kisses third party presidential candidate George Wallace as he arrives in Chicago on August 16. Today Wallace headquarters branded as "false, untrue" reports of a romance between Wallace and Miss Welch. The statement said she was a volunteer "used as a Wallace Girl collecting funds and distributing literature and that was the extent of her involvement." (AP Wirephoto)

Police Hurt In  
Benton Melee

Crowd Gathers As Officers  
Try To Make Arrest

Three Benton township police officers were attacked and injured when they attempted to arrest a 19-year-old youth in his home last night on a reckless driving charge.

The dispute began after Township Constable Lloyd Butler, driving his unmarked truck, stopped Ozzell X. Lewis on Highway 150 to place him under arrest for reckless driving. Police said Lewis ran to his nearby home at 188 Vashli street. Officers found 15 to 20 persons gathered in the yard when they arrived.

Benton Harbor police said the crowd had grown to such proportions, when they were called to assist, that they could not drive down Vashli, a dead-end street, because of the people who had driven there to join the melee.

Officer Roger Peters said he

was cut on the forehead from a brick or rock that was thrown as he and other officers attempted to pull Ozzell Lewis from underneath his bed.

Det. Raymond Frye and Patrolman Ronald Immoos said they received minor injuries from the crowd outside as they attempted to enter the house. The officers arrested Lewis' brother, LeRoy, 26, when he attempted to prevent their entering.

Police said they went to Lewis' house after he told Constable Butler he would not allow himself to be taken to join the melee.

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Girl Is  
In Mood  
To Marry

Cute Campaign  
'Hanger-On'  
Gets Kicked Off

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — A spokesman for George C. Wallace has denied any romantic link between the third party presidential candidate and a curvaceous blonde who has appeared with his campaign party and says she is willing to marry him.

The spokesman said Thursday that the former Alabama governor's knowledge of the girl, Ja-Neen Welch, had been limited to "seeing her a couple of times on an airplane" and added she had been dismissed from the tour.

A statement from Wallace's headquarters said reports of such a romance were "false, untrue," and an attempt to damage Wallace's presidential campaign.

Miss Welch prompted the denial when she told an interviewer, "I wouldn't object to being the next Mrs. Wallace."

**WALLACE AIDE**  
Richard Smith, campaign treasurer for Wallace, said Ja-Neen had made campaign trips as a Wallace Girl Volunteer but would no longer be part of the troupe—"You can bet on that."

In Indianapolis, where she runs an advertising and publicity agency, Miss Welch said Smith's statement "does not change my feelings toward the governor. I'm still very much in love with him."

Ja-Neen, who says she was born in Columbus, Ohio, and that "people usually use 26 as my age," said she met Wallace in Chicago three months ago and plans to see him again next week in Montgomery or Indianapolis.

**WIFE DIED IN MAY**  
Wallace's wife, Lucile, died of cancer last May 7 after she had succeeded him as governor.

Of their Chicago meeting, Miss Welch recalled, "I have extrasensory perception and I predicted that he would be elected president and that I would be there when he took the oath of office."

"I wouldn't mind being Mrs. George C. Wallace. We're both single and he's a wonderful person," continued Ja-Neen, once married and the mother of a son. She said Wallace aides probably fear "the matter will hurt his vote-getting."

Smith declared: "All we knew was that she popped up two or three times on the campaign trail, and now she's saying all these things. The governor knows nothing about her."

When the campaign party arrived in Daytona Beach, Fla., last Friday, Ja-Neen alighted from the Wallace airplane clad in a spectacular white mini-dress, cowboy hat and calf-length boots. She rode in the official motorcade to a political rally in Orlando.

**REPORTER'S STORY**  
An Orlando Sentinel reporter wrote that as Wallace wound up his address a Secret Service man asked Ja-Neen: "Are you going to ride back with the boss?"

The reporter also said he noted Ja-Neen holding the hand of the candidate's 7-year-old daughter Lee, as they rode down an elevator in the banquet

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**WARM GREETING:** Ja-Neen Welch hugs former Alabama Governor George Wallace at Chicago's Midway Airport during a recent campaign trip. A spokesman for Wallace denied today that the third party candidate has any romantic interest in the shapely blond who has been traveling with his campaign party. Miss Welch, who runs an advertising agency in Indianapolis told an interviewer, "I wouldn't object to being the next Mrs. Wallace." (AP Wirephoto)

Three New Directors  
Join Board Of ARIC

Group Aims To Improve  
Conditions In Area

Three new directors have been elected to the board of Area Resources Improvement Council, it was announced today by Atty. Ronald Sondee, executive director of ARIC.

The new directors are: John Banyon, division manager of the Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. here. Robert Hammer, divisional vice president and general manager of the Paramount Die Casting Co., Stevensville, a division of Talon, Inc. James C. Huntington, Jr., president and general manager of the Construction Machinery division of Clark Equipment Co., Benton township. Huntington replaces Walter Schirmer, president of Clark Equipment, who resigned after one year on ARIC's board, owing to the press of other duties.

**OFFICERS ELECTED**

Re-elected president of ARIC for a second one-year term was Elisha Gray II, board chairman and chief executive officer of the Twin Cities' Whirlpool Corp. Elected vice president was

director Lester C. Tiscornia, president of Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co. of St. Joseph. He takes the place of Bert Phillips, executive vice president of Clark, who will continue as a director of ARIC but asked to be relieved as vice president. Re-elected secretary-treasurer was Eitel Eberhardt, president of Inter-City bank of Benton Harbor.

ARIC, a non-profit Michigan corporation, was formed in 1967 by two dozen Berrien county industrial leaders to improve physical and social conditions in the county, particularly in the Twin Cities area.

It has since achieved both local and statewide recognition for its work in the field of education, social welfare, youth affairs and employment.

**FIRMS CONTRIBUTE**

The work of ARIC is financed by contributions from firms



ELISHA GRAY II  
Re-Elected ARIC Head

represented on the board of directors. Gray was the corporation's first president and the moving spirit behind its organization. Other past and

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Dance Fri. Sat. The Jolly Hoppers. Letke's Hideaway. Adv. Fruit filled Danish coffee cakes. Spec. 69c. Eitel's Bakery. Adv.

Most Teens  
Hired Are  
Welcome Back

By JIM SHANAHAN  
BH City Editor  
The Twin Cities proved this summer that "unemployables" can be put to work — and the majority of them will stick it out.

A special youth opportunity program has terminated for 1968 after placing 216 teenagers in summer jobs.

Continuing is employment of "hard core" adults — persons of low skill, previously unaccustomed to punching a clock.

The Area Resources Improvement Council (ARIC) is an instigator of both programs which were executed with the cooperation of several other agencies, and especially employers who have the jobs.

Atty. Ronald Sondee, executive director of ARIC, said emphasis in teen employment was placed on "youngsters who otherwise would find it very difficult to get jobs."

Negrees comprised a majority of the teens, but the group was not limited to boys and girls of lower economic status. Both black and white of middle class backgrounds were assigned.

**MAY BE REHIRED**

An evaluation of 168 of the teenagers found: 82 per cent made enough progress that they would be considered eligible for re-employment at a later date.

Employers don't want nine per cent of them back. And another nine per cent quit or were fired for various reasons — three of them were in jail.

Most of the youths are in the 16-17 age bracket, two are 15 and a few 18 and over. The program terminated in September so they could return to school.

The adult training and employment committee of ARIC has been in operation since mid-1967, shortly after ARIC was formed by a group of Berrien county industrial and business leaders.

Committee heads John Platts, president of Whirlpool Corporation, and Ross Gilmore, president of Superior Steel Castings Co., reported of 460 adults (18 and over) employed more than 300 remain on the job.

Employment for hard-core adults began with the leadership of Gene McFadden, assistant superintendent for community education in Benton Harbor and his staff. They enlisted the aid of the Michigan Employment Security commission and the On-The-Job Training division of Tri-Cap. About 73 persons were placed in the early stages, then ARIC was organized and put the weight of major employers behind the project.

**NOT JUST MENIAL**

This involves special training to develop work habits and job skills. Many of the jobs go beyond the menial stage into higher paying brackets.

A subcommittee of company personnel representatives assisting Platts and Gilmore include Klee Grumbine, Whirlpool Laundry group; Ted Miller, Whirlpool St. Joseph division; Anson Lovellette, Bendix; Hank Krigelski, Auto Specialties; Charles Field, Benton Harbor Malleable.

Joseph D. Mackin, chief of St. Joseph radio station, WJSM, is

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Unionists  
Give \$114  
To Wallace

Charles L. Cobb, Berrien county chairman of the Wallace for President campaign said today that the organization received \$114 from a recent collection among members of UAW Local 1290 Clark Equipment Co. construction machinery division.

Cobb said he was pleased with the contributions and said he "doubted whether any other candidate could have done as well."

National UAW leadership supports Hubert Humphrey.

NAACP Invites Public  
To Attend Seminars

State Convention Here

A series of seminars will be open to the public Saturday at the NAACP state convention at Statler Hilton inn here.

Seminars on employment and housing will run concurrently, 10 a.m. to noon. Tom Turner of Wayne county AFL-CIO is chairman of the employment sector with a panel composed of Mrs. Hildred Drew of the New Detroit committee, Harry Hall of the State Chamber of Commerce, August Calloway of Michigan Bell, and a state NAACP youth member.

Head of the housing workshop is Atty. Julius Cook, a member of the Michigan Civil Rights commission. Panelists are Douglas Schenck, Saginaw; Mrs.

Joyce Garrett, assistant to the director of the Civil Rights commission, and Sydney Finley, NAACP quadstate director.

The education workshop 3-5 p.m., will be in charge of Dr. C. Bassett Brown, Benton Harbor. Panelists are Mrs. Harbortense Canada, NAACP state education chairman; Miss Marilyn Jean Kelly, member of the Michigan Board of Education; Dr. Blanche Martin, former Michigan State football star, and Miss Phyllis Frazier, assistant NAACP state secretary.

Mrs. Mary DeFoe of Benton Harbor, State Secretary, said a program from 1:30 to 3 p.m. will feature W. C. Patton, of Birmingham, Ala., NAACP na-

tional voter registration and education chairman.

Bishop Stephen Gill Spottswood, chairman of the national board of directors, will speak at noon luncheon for area clergyman at Howard Johnson's restaurant.

Tomorrow's events will be highlighted by an address by Walter P. Reuther at the Freedom Fund banquet at 7:30 p.m. in the Statler Hilton. Dances will be held at the Statler Hilton and Howard Johnson's for young adult and youth groups.

Join Ladies Bowling League, Tues. Lakeshore Lanes. Adv.

THE HERALD-PRESS  
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Over Reaction  
From The Clerics

Fourteen persons, including five Roman Catholic priests, are under arrest for arson, burglary and criminal destruction of property, for breaking into the Selective Service office at Milwaukee and consigning the draft records to the flames.

None of the priests are connected with Milwaukee area parishes. Two hail from Minnesota and the other three are from Massachusetts.

Their nine consorts represent a mixture of militant student and church movements.

The purpose of their admitted criminal conduct is to prevent induction of a possible 27,000 men into the armed forces.

The Wisconsin Selective Service director claims the record burning will not prevent induction, but admits the job of reconstructing the records will be a lengthy, expensive process. Some eligible men almost certainly will gain a reprieve of sorts.

All 14 conspirators confessed to everyone within sight and sound of their bonfire they are happy in doing what they did, so the fact finding in their trials should be a pushover for the prosecution.

Their best hope, inasmuch as Milwaukee was a center of strength for Senator McCarthy, would be a jury including several citizens who believe Viet Nam is fair game for any kind of misconduct at home.

One wonder in the outrage was the absence of Fr. James Groppi, who raised so much hell in his anti-poverty street demonstrations at Milwaukee this spring. His presence would have been a natural complement to the visiting pacifists.

The priests adopt a mixed position in justification for their participation in a criminal act.

They readily concede the physical execution and then proceed to excuse it in the following statement issued jointly by all 14 arsonists:

"We destroy Selective Service system files because men need to be reminded that property is not sacred.

"If anything is sacred, it is the gift of life and flesh, flesh which is daily burned, made homeless, butchered without tears or clamor from most Americans."

This is another way of saying Uncle Sam is morally wrong in the Vietnamese conflict and implicitly that Communist North Viet Nam which wants to gobble up South Viet Nam is right.

There is some doubt in many minds, including ours, as to the military sense in committing our resources to an uncertain battlefield, but it is informative to say the least to watch native Americans clothe a Communist gambit in ethical garb.

There are a few thousand, those in the U.S. Communist party, to be sure who so maintain, but to date at any rate we are not aware of any such espousal from the average person who votes Democratic or Republican or for "the candidate."

This being the case, the five priests or a Fr. Groppi represent an extremity in a dilemma which most churchmen, in all creeds, are tossing up in the air these days.

It is the question of church leaders trying to propel their followers into secular questions of the day or maintaining the older stance of moral guidance from the summit.

The activists maintain that if the church does not soon come down from the summit into the streets, its influence will decline to zero. The influence today, they contend, is symbolic at best.

The traditionalists argue that

a churchman can not mix into social and economic disputes without becoming muddled in politics for the simple reason that the ballot box or the legislative halls is the only arbiter of such questions. They feel if a churchman turns advocate in a secular debate, he loses his moral stature and becomes just another politician.

This argument is older than today's generation of activists would have people think.

Over a century ago, a minister, Henry Ward Beecher, turned politico to found the Abolitionist movement in the northern states.

Bishop James Cannon, Jr., the redoubtable Methodist, was a force to be reckoned with by many candidates for all manner of office whom the good bishop probed seriously as to their loyalty to Prohibition.

In the early 1930s Fr. Coughlin, of Detroit, took to the radio to tell the country that the only way to end the depression was to scuttle the international bankers.

Billy Graham today displays something of a tendency to depart from the pulpit for the rowdier arena down below. He does, however, stop of outright endorsements or condemnation of those directing government policy.

The visiting clerics at Milwaukee are not pulling their Church or their parishioners into the political soup as Beecher, Cannon and Coughlin did, but they do pose a question for their superiors to answer.

A continuation of the Milwaukee incident in other localities by church leaders inevitably raises a decision for any creed. Either disavow the activists or say that on a given argument this is the Catholic position, the Methodist stand, the Lutheran point of reference, and so on through the list.

There's an old saying that religion and relatives should be publicly arguable points.

The activists, though, are shoving their co-religionists into that sticky situation.

Law In Space

Although the rule of law has been badly abused on earth, there is hope man may have greater success in achieving law and order in outer space.

The hope rests on the fact that space exploration being in its infancy, there still is time to work out rules and agreements that could make extraterrestrial life more amenable to the prevailing mood closer to home.

Thus a proposal made to a joint meeting of the American Bar Association and the American Institute of Aeronautics for a world aerospace organization is a timely one. It envisions an organization to administer legal problems associated with space activities.

Such an organization would represent a logical development of the rationale of the outer-space treaty signed by the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain and other nations last year.

That treaty was designed to insure that space exploration would be peaceful. A world legal organization could help make it orderly.

The organization would maintain a register of spacecraft with all essential information about each ship, would monitor activities in space and would insure compliance with the terms of the treaty. It might even serve as an official tracking agency.

As more nations become involved in space and more rockets rumble skyward, problems are going to develop between nations and possible even between nations and individuals. For instance, a sticky situation could have developed recently when debris from a Soviet space vehicle survived reentry and landed in the Midwest.

Fortunately, no one was hurt but the incident suggests that the citizens of one nation could have a grievance against the government of another.

Furthermore, since reason dictates that space exploration should be a cooperative venture by earthmen, although political reality dictates otherwise, any effort that bespeaks international cooperation in space is most welcome.

Not More?



GLANCING BACKWARDS

THOUSANDS MEET  
BLUE ANGELS

Today's heroes in the Twin Cities aren't long-haired musicians, television personalities, or sports stars — they're the U.S. Navy's Blue Angels. What was planned as a small scale "meet the public" session at Ross field last night turned into a throng of 2,000 to 3,000 persons, unruly only because of their affection for the Blue Angels.

Police were called to the airport to control the swarms of youngsters who continually broke restraining lines to get autographs and touch the glamorous pilots who show that short haircuts still look good.

STATE OFFICERS  
HERE FOR MEETING

Several officers of the Michigan State Barracks, World War I, will be featured guests Thursday night at a Barracks 582 meeting at Memorial hall, St. Joseph. The affair will start with a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. at the hall at 415 Lake boulevard.

The state officials will be Charles Cooper, past state commander; A. B. Eggleston, vice commander, and Mrs. A. B. Fall, president of the state auxiliary.

REDS PUSH ON  
AT SMOLENSK

Red army units were battling for footholds across the broad Dnieper river today as the Germans reeled westward in retreat along a smoking front which a Soviet communique said extended from the Kuban bridgehead 750 miles northward to the war-ravaged city of Smolensk.

The glittering domes of Kiev, ancient holy city of Russia, lay

under Soviet siege guns on the eastern bank of the Dnieper with the Polish frontier 100 miles beyond while at least a half dozen other day towns along the winding river appeared ripe to fall into the hands of the hard-driving Red army as Nazi resistance continued to crumble.

WINS CUP

Bob Ackerman Jr. of Bridgman won permanent possession of the directors cup at the Bridgman golf club. In winning the trophy for the third successive year he defeated Bill Backus, one up on the 18th hole.

NEW ROOF

The city hall and fire department are being re-roofed by W.J. Hosbein, local roofing contractor.

HOUSE PARTY

Miss Mary Holden of Three Oaks is entertaining her bridesmaids at a house party this week.

NEW BUSINESS

A. L. Church has opened his news depot, confectionery and cigar store in the Parker block. The place has been refurbished and painted in fine shape.

EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

OVER DOING TEAM WORK

The term, team work, as a slogan cannot be traced to the field of sports as many believe. It relates to the employment of a mule with a horse.

It is commonly understood that nothing on earth can be as stubborn as a mule or as mean as a horse, yet under the correct administration of good leadership these two animals can produce a greater amount of combined horse power than can a pair of the same creatures.

There is controversy today as to the team work of public officials.

The question is, can, or should a President and Vice President act alike, think alike and subscribe to the other's point of view unchallenged, or, in other words, should the V.P.

be a shadow or mirror view of the President?

It would appear that 'like father like son' sentiment be blotted out between the two for even the party has no control over the personalities of the individuals. Old English tradition subscribed to the belief that the King could do no wrong, a tradition that broke apart centuries ago.

It has been brought to light that Mr. Agnew and Mr. Nixon do not feel exactly the same on an issue or two, nor does Hubert and his sidekick agree to a total of thoughts. This proves that both combinations are individuals of thought, capable of determining the weaknesses and strengths of a possible partner in ironing out the wrinkles in our present fifty pieces of our national fabric.

The greatest business enterprises of this great nation are built, not in a universal set standard of ideas but on the friendly cooperation of its leaders who, in very rare incidents think alike, but work together, using these differences to create a greater degree of success in every way.

Seeing eye to eye has brought about a wide use of rubber stamp activity in all branches of government and more especially at the top. Today all governments are top heavy with gray-train addicts who ceased to be individuals in order to be aboard the train or catch it on the fly.

Two of our candidates are well experienced and familiar with the responsibilities. They know, or should know, the potentials of the office. Their team mates are successful men, perhaps widely different in their ideas and contentions, but they are separate personalities.

Mr. Wallace knows state government, but what has he in hiding that can meet the potential head on?

Questions arise at every turn of our minds, yet the answers can come only by 'eatin' the pudding' that we select in November.

Perhaps a few personal contests between the President and Vice president may result in good thought and thus team work be applied in all its force to a successful conclusion.

Images do not belong in the White House, and our museums are now overcrowded.

If we expect the V.P. to be a model, we should remember that a model is a small imitation of the real thing.

WILLIAM A. RODGERS,  
Bridgman.

WILLIAM RITT

You're  
Telling Me!

A giraffe has fewer bones in his neck than a bird does — nature item. However, they ARE a trifle bigger!

DR. COLEMAN

.. And Speaking  
Of Your Health

We are concerned because our nine-year-old boy is the smallest in the class. He is beginning to be embarrassed because most of the children are at least two inches taller than he is. Our other children are normal in size and we wonder whether or not we have done anything wrong during his early years to account for his small stature.

Mr. D. O.,  
Oregon

Dear Mr. O.: Let me assure you that you and your wife must not chastise yourself or feel guilty or responsible for this condition in your young boy. Obviously the other children in the family have grown normally on the same diet and regime you use for the family.

Occasionally the growth pattern varies in members of the same family, living under the same circumstances. As you know, in the first year of life there is a rapid growth of all organs of the body. Then the growth follows a slower pattern until puberty at which time, in early adolescence, another active spurt occurs.

All children vary in their hereditary makeup even though they have the same parental background. If there is no physical deficiency that interferes with your child's growth there should be no great concern about it. Everyone has noticed that intellectual variations occur in the same way as does physical growth in the same family.

It is true that some diets are deficient in vitamin content and minerals and can affect the growth of children. In impoverished countries where scurvy, rickets, beri-beri and pellagra flourish, the growth of children can be permanently impaired. Obviously, this does not hold true in your family. Chronic disease of the lungs, heart, kidneys and intestinal tract can also affect normal growth. This, too, I am certain, has been checked out with your son.

Hormones play a most active

role in the growth of a child when there is no physical illness. There is a close relationship between the secretion of the pituitary gland, the thyroid gland, the adrenal gland and the testicles. All work in combination with each other to produce normal progress and growth of all body organs.

Some parents delay seeking the advice of a gland specialist or endocrinologist, expectantly waiting for the day when the child will "shoot up" of his own accord. This may well happen even without the guidance of such a specialist. However, it is much more logical that parents of undersized children should seek such highly specialized opinion early, rather than to wait until the growth pattern is fixed and unalterable.

The psychological reaction of undersized children can be very distressing. He may feel embarrassed and alone and pay a great penalty for that which might have been rectified.

When, after thorough study of the endocrine or hormone system, it is found there is a deficiency of one or more hormones, these can be replenished. It is often surprising to see a new and rapid rate of growth after continued use of hormones by mouth or injection.

It may well be that your child will outgrow this condition, but it will do him far greater justice if you were to embark on these special studies and know for certain if just waiting, or treatment with hormones, is the ideal approach. Your guilt will be far greater if you delay too long in remedying a condition which may respond to modern treatments.

**SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH**—Don't be impatient with nurses and aids in hospitals. They, too, are burdened and do far better with patience and civility.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

East dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH			
♠ A K 6			
♥ 9 5 2			
♦ 9 6 3			
♣ A 9 8 2			
WEST			
♠ 10 8 3			
♥ Q 7			
♦ Q J 8 7 5 2			
♣ Q 10			
EAST			
♠ Q 9 5 2			
♥ J 10 8			
♦ A K 4			
♣ J 6 5			
SOUTH			
♠ J 7 4			
♥ A K 6 4 3			
♦ 10			
♣ K 7 4 3			

The bidding:  
East South West North  
Pass 1♥ Pass 2♣  
Pass 3♠ Pass 4♥

Opening lead — queen of diamonds.

Here is another hand from the Canada - Kenya match on which K e h e l a distinguished himself by exceptionally fine play.

Murray was North and Kehela South for Canada when they reached four hearts on the bidding shown. West led the queen of diamonds. East overtook with the king and continued with the ace, which South ruffed.

Playing as though he could see through the backs of the cards, Kehela cashed the A-K of trumps, entered dummy with a spade, ruffed the nine of diamonds, cashed the A-K of

clubs, and put East on lead with a club.

East won with the jack and cashed his high trump, but with only the Q-9-5 of spades left in his hand, he had to return a spade. Kehela went up with the jack. As a result of this well-conceived endplay, he made the contract for a score of 420 points.

There were several subtle inferences that led Kehela to adopt this method of play. It seemed highly likely that East would not overtake the queen of diamonds at trick one unless he had three diamonds to the A-K. Starting with this as a base, and proceeding on the assumption that hearts and clubs would both be divided 3-2, Kehela set his sights on an endplay against East as the most likely method of escaping the spade loser that would otherwise sink the contract.

The Kenya declarer in the same contract at the other table was not presented with the same opportunity to shine. West (Elliott, playing with Sheardown) chose the three of spades as his opening lead and South properly decided that his best chance for the contract was that West had led from the queen.

Accordingly, he played low from dummy and went down one when he eventually lost a trick in each suit. As a result, Canada picked up 470 points or the deal.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

They're still chuckling in one Westchester junior high school over the day the principal heard an uproar in one room, and charging in, found a crewcut youth shouting at the top of his lungs and dancing down the aisle. He marched the offender off to his office and ordered him to stand in a corner until excused.

The principal then returned to the classroom, delivered an inspiring lecture on discipline, and concluded by asking if there were any questions. "Yes," volunteered one student. "When are you going to let our teacher come back in the room?"

Guests invited to appear on the Ed Sullivan evening TV show usually are tickled pink and appear prompt and early for rehearsals. But one guest never showed up at all. Her name was Baby Opal, and she was a performing elephant. Someone suggested that she had plumb forgotten to come, elephants' memories being what

they are. Authorities were baffled, claiming "We've never lost an elephant before."

Opal turned up a week later. She had been shipped to a circus in South Carolina by mistake.

**QUOTABLE:** "Miniskirts are so short they have to be believed to be seen!"—Johnny Carson.



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## AIR POLLUTION 'SERIOUS' PROBLEM IN AREA

### Messy Junk Haulers In Trouble

#### Must Not Allow Trash To Fly Off Their Trucks

Trucks carrying trash to the Northwest Berrien Sanitation Authority landfill, which is part of their loads enroute, should be promptly reported to authorities, board members were told yesterday when they met in St. Joseph City hall.

Benton township Supervisor Ray Wilder said he noted on occasion trucks heading for the authority's landfill site with papers and other debris blowing off. "They leave half their loads scattered all over town," he said.

City Manager Leland L. Hill of St. Joseph said a surveillance system is the best answer to this problem. He said the trucks are warned either to pick up the debris or face littering charges.

#### READY TO BUILD

The board yesterday heard that the foundation is ready to be poured for the new combination garage and office being erected at the site on Smallidge road north of Ross field. The board approved the bid of Ideal Plumbing company to install heating for the entire building and air conditioning for the office at \$3,600.

Supt. Ben Luckner said the authority had purchased a trash "wacker," a 26,000-pound steel-wheeled vehicle used to compact refuse. The price is \$26,000 less the rent paid the past several months the machine was being used by the authority.

The road to the landfill site, North Crystal, has been gravelled, with paving scheduled for next spring. Luckner said by letting the gravel settle this winter the foundation would be in better shape for next spring for resurfacing.

### Child Falls Off Rafter, Badly Hurt

A 9-year-old Benton Heights girl was in poor condition at Mercy hospital this morning with internal injuries she received when she fell from a rafter across from her home yesterday.

Hospital officials said Pamela Rash, 9, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Denver Rash, 780 Wells street, was admitted to the intensive care unit. Her father said she was playing in the rafter of a house under construction across from her home, when the accident occurred.

#### On Dean's List

Heinrich Bettich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bettich, of 3726 Knox street, St. Joseph, has been named to the dean's list of Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Fla. Bettich, who previously had attended Palm Beach Junior college, is majoring in humanities.

## Land Purchased By Niles Firm Zoned Residential

By DICK DERRICK  
SJ City Editor

St. Joseph Township Supervisor Orval L. Benson said yesterday the northeast corner of the Gard school property purchased by the Niles Federal Savings and Loan company is in the township and is zoned residential—which would have to be changed before a branch office could be built.

The 200 by 300-foot parcel was sold secretly by the St. Joseph school board to Niles Federal last month.

Benson said no one has contacted either himself or Orval Schrage, chairman of the township planning commission, on the status of the property or the procedure for changing the

zoning classification. HOW IT'S DONE  
Usual procedure is to request a change from a specific zoning classification to another through the township board which passes the request on to the planning commission. The planning commission then holds a hearing and makes a recommendation to the township board which also holds a hearing before making a decision.

"The St. Joseph township planning commission turned down last June the request of the First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan, Niles, to build a branch bank in a residential area on Napier avenue despite the fact it was close

to commercial property. The Cleveland-Hilltop intersection contains a gas station, a residence and an open field. There is a factory supply business nearby, in addition to Gard School. Eventually Gard School will be converted into the school headquarters with offices for administrators and storage for educational equipment. It is referred to as a materials center.

A proposal to build a series of doctor's offices on Cleveland avenue, just north of the proposed Savings and Loan site, prompted the township board to rezone part of that area from residential to B-2 commercial several months ago.

All of the land fronting Hilltop on the south side between Washington and Cleveland avenues is zoned commercial. The township includes the Michigan State Highway department garage at South State street and Hilltop, and Gard school. The laboratory equipment Co. plant and the property at Lakeview and Hilltop is in the City of St. Joseph.

Benson said he could not predict what action the township board or the planning commission would take if a rezoning request were filed with them. But he said the law requires publication of notices before hearings are held and the rezoning process is often time consuming.



CHANGING CHARACTER: The Milner hotel and its adjoining motel, East Main street, Benton Harbor, will be converted from rooms for transient guests to a residence for senior citizens. Milner will display its facilities at an open house Sunday afternoon. (Staff photo).

## Milner Hotel To House Elderly Citizens Here

### Plan Change In Operations

By Christmas Benton Harbor's Milner Hotel located at 250 East Main street will be converted entirely to a residential hotel for the elderly, district supervisor for the Milner chain, Salvito Maniscalco, said yesterday.

"We've already converted about 20 rooms for old people," Maniscalco said. "And it shouldn't be too long before we have the other 27 ready."

Milner resident manager, Leon Fowler, said that the 20 rooms already converted, are being occupied for the most part by longtime area senior citizens.

Maniscalco said the move is being necessitated by dwindling transient business resulting from the construction of several new motels in the area.

"We've been in business in Benton Harbor for many years and we want to stay here,"

Maniscalco said. "But we just have to make some modifications."

Rooms will rent at \$150 per month for single persons and \$250 for couples, Maniscalco said.

He said included in the rent will be three meals a day, laundry service once a week, maid service daily, game parties weekly, birthday parties once a month, Christmas and Thanksgiving parties.

Maniscalco said the motel section of the establishment, approximately 10 years old, will also be converted for old people, but only after the hotel has been filled. The motel, adjacent to the hotel, contains 30 units.

Maniscalco said the project will cost about \$300,000 before it is completed and that all of the necessary permits have been received from the city.

The Milner chain has eight hotels in Michigan three of which, including Benton Harbor's, will be converted to old people's residences.

"This is not becoming a nursing home," Maniscalco said. "We are only taking persons who can take care of themselves."

The converted rooms, which will be open for public inspection Sunday afternoon, have been paneled, carpeted and are equipped with individual television sets and air-conditioning units.

#### AT FOOTBALL GAME

### Five Benton Harbor Bands Will Perform

A home grown show with 400 musicians is Benton Harbor's version of the band day performances at major universities.

Five school district bands will play at Filstrup field tonight at halftime of the Tiger-Kalamazoo Hackett football game. Participants are the Tiger varsity marching band, Fairplain junior high varsity band, Fairplain concert band, Benton Harbor junior high and a combine representing Lafayette, North Shore and Eaman schools.

The massed bands will play several marches. The junior musicians will then yield the field to the Tiger varsity band which will present a revue with the theme of "Rock, Rhythm and Swing."

The show is arranged by Bernie Kuschel, coordinator of instrumental music for the school district. Monte Sheedlo, assistant director of the senior high band, prepared the marching routines.

Directors of the junior high bands are Ray Norberg, Troy Jones and Mrs. Julie Cox.

### Six Firms Are Cited By State

#### Cures Expensive, But Plants Work On Elimination

By BRANDON BROWN  
Staff Writer

Air pollution is a "serious" problem in the Twin Cities area and plants here are moving to correct it, according to a Michigan Department of Public Health regional chief.

Irving H. Davis, head of a 43-county western and southern Michigan area for the division of occupational health, told a news conference in the Berrien county courthouse Thursday that foundry and sand handling systems of four local companies are "major sources" of pollution and two other firms are less so but significant polluters.

The four, he said, are Auto Specialties Manufacturing Co., Bendix Corp., Benton Harbor Malleable Industries, and Michigan Standard Alloys.

Superior Steel Castings Co. and Anstey Foundry are among other plants contributing a "significant but lesser degree to the air pollution level in the community," Davis said.

His department is cooperating with the four companies to set air pollution abatement schedules and they are expected to decide on control equipment purchases in 30 to 60 days, he said.

But the cost will run in the millions of dollars.

Davis estimated the minimum for pollution control in some smaller plants at \$50,000 and said big plants might spend more than \$1 million each.

#### VOLUNTARY PROGRAM

"We have been talking with them attempting to work out voluntary programs," he said.

"They have stated their intention to eliminate pollution in the community as rapidly as possible."

He said his announcement was intended as public information following complaints and questions on air pollution from local residents, city officials, health department officials and "people in industry."

The conference was attended by newsmen and St. Joseph City Clerk Charles Rhodes, Benton Township Supervisor Ray Wilder, Benton Harbor City Engineer Sam Wells, and Earle Olsen and Ed Golson of the Berrien County Health department.

#### MOSTLY NUISANCE

Twin Cities area air pollution, "not critical" but "serious," is a nuisance and damaging to property but not a prolonged type that might cause injury to health, Davis said.

Air pollution from the Chicago area also wafts northeast across the Twin Cities and as far north as Muskegon, but Davis noted no ill results from it here.

Pollution in the Twin Cities area, he added, is about like that of other Michigan industrial communities.

Types of air pollutants listed by Davis were fly ash, iron oxides, sand, and some metallic fumes. Certain types of "collectors" will screen out such particles.

Local foundries are among those across the state to which the Michigan Department of Public Health has suggested two-year deadlines for cleaning up pollution, Davis said. Cleanup schedules have been suggested to local plants within the last six months.

#### PENALTIES CITED

Plants in violation of the state's 1965 air pollution act or rules of the air pollution control commission are open to fines up to \$500 plus penalties up to \$100 a day while in violation.

The air pollution control commission also has the power to close-down plants it considers a jeopardy to public health.

There are some 281 foundries in Michigan and "all of them are faced with this (pollution) problem to some degree," Davis said.

"There are a number of ways to approach this problem, all of which are expensive."

Davis said he has "every reason to believe that these (local) plants can control their emissions within a reasonable length of time, but it's certainly going to cost a lot of money."

Plants here named by Davis were done so on the basis of health department visits to and knowledge of the plants, Davis said.



D.A.N.K. PLANS CLUBHOUSE: Two officers from the local chapter of the German-American National Congress, (DANK), Herbert Tatzman, secretary (left) and Joe Baumann, president, examine plans submitted to the Benton township planning commission for an all-purpose hall to be built on Euclid avenue. The two requested a zoning change so the hall could be built. (Staff photo).

### Congress Asks Change In Zoning

#### German-American Group Planning Hall In Benton

The local chapter of the German-American National Congress (DANK) last night asked the Benton township planning commission for a zoning change to erect an all-purpose hall in the township.

Joe Baumann, president of DANK, said total cost of the building and purchase of the property is \$42,000. The proposed property is 20 acres on North Euclid avenue owned by Tom Rauch.

The request was for a zoning change to commercial but Oliver Rector, acting chairman for the planning commission, said it may be possible for the lodge to be built with a special use permit. The request was referred to a study committee.

Baumann said the hall would be a 50 by 120 feet one-story building, and would be used for club activities. The local chapter of DANK has approximately 270 members, he said.

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS

In other business last night, the planning commission set Oct. 24 as the date for three public hearings.

One of the public hearings will be for a zoning change of 297 Crystal avenue from residential to commercial. Tyree Wilburn of 135 North Winans street, the owner, said he wanted to operate a restaurant on the property.

The planning commission recommended that the rezoning be denied because it would be "spot" zoning, but told Wilburn he could have a public hearing if he wanted it. Wilburn said he would like the public hearing.

A public hearing was also set for Dean Osborne of 1110 Ogden avenue, Benton Harbor, to rezone a five-bedroom home at 1591 Union street from single family dwelling to a two family dwelling.

The third public hearing was for property owned by John S. Williams at 347 Linden street to be rezoned from commercial to residential, so he may make repairs on his home. The planning commission said their planning consultants approved the change.

### CAPTURES SUSPECT

## Detective Acts Drunk To Invite Robbery

By HOWARD HOLMES  
Staff Writer

Benton Harbor Det. Harry Lenardson's acting may not win him an Academy award, but it did help him arrest a 16-year-old boy who reportedly attempted to rob him in an alley last night.

Playing the role of a drunken sop, Lenardson loosened his tie, mussed his hair and started down the alley between Main street and Territorial road—an alley where other robberies have occurred in the past.

As he began mumbling and staggering down the alley, this scene began to unwind according to Lenardson's account:

A youth approached Lenardson and asked him for a cigarette. Lenardson slurred he doesn't smoke and continued on his tipsy way. The youth followed and grabbed Lenardson from behind in an attempt to throw him off balance.

Lenardson grabbed his service revolver with one hand and the neck of the youth with the other. He identified himself as a police officer and informed the youth he was under arrest for attempted strong armed robbery.

The youth, 6 feet tall, struggled and attempted to escape until he felt the barrel of the gun against his head. He was handcuffed and taken to jail, to be petitioned to Berrien county juvenile court.

### BH Firm Appoints Sales Chief



IRVING H. DAVIS  
Regional Health Chief

The CO/5 company of Benton Harbor, specialists in family games, has announced that Charles Keim of Fairplain has been named as its national sales manager.

The announcement was made by Norman Gerlach, president of the company, which manufactures such games as "Aggravation," "Playful Trails," "Joltz" and "Deuces Wild."

The company, founded in 1962, now sells its games internationally.

Keim, who lives at 586 Lynwood drive, Fairplain, is married and has one daughter. He was formerly associated with the F. W. Woolworth company in a supervisory capacity.



CHARLES KEIM

GOLDBERG TO SPEAK  
MIDLAND (AP) — Former United Nations ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg will speak next Monday to the Northwood Institute Executive 100 Club at Midland.

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## VAN BUREN COLLEGE PLAN REMAINS IN FLUX

## General Telephone Reveals Big Expansion

Hits Top  
As Jockey  
At Age 17Otsego Boy Will  
Ride At Allegan

ALLEGAN — Tim Mowry of Otsego has packed a lot of experience as a jockey in his 17 years.

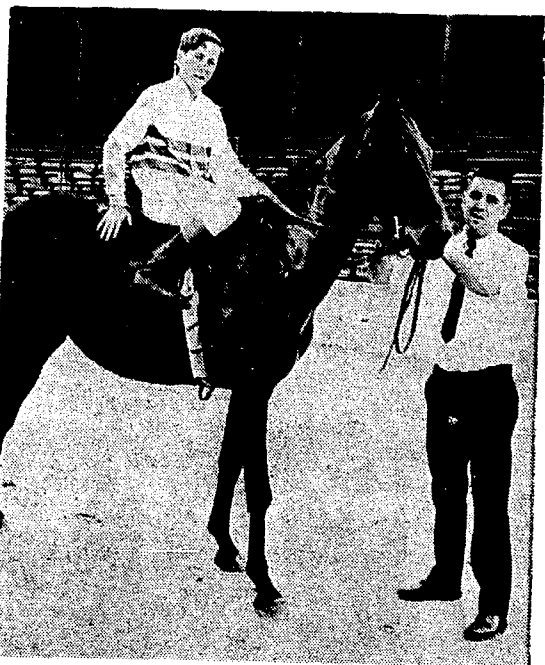
He's expected to demonstrate some of this experience while participating in the Allegan county horse fair, scheduled Oct. 4-6 at the Allegan county fairgrounds. The event is termed the largest non-parimutuel race meet in Michigan. It includes quarter horse and thoroughbred racing and pony running and trotting races.

Horse fair managers Lee Sheridan and Tony Julien said 300 horses from Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio and New York are expected to compete for more than \$10,000 in prize money. A grant from the Michigan Department of Agriculture has been announced in the amount of \$5 per horse entered.

"Tim has had more experience than any other jockey his age in the state," said Fair Manager Julien. Sheridan said this is because the junior at Otsego high school has had so many opportunities to ride.

## WINS FIRST RACE

Tim rode his first race in the spring of 1967 for Julien and won. This was at the Otsego Turf club. Now under contract to Earl Clark, vice president of the Kalamazoo county fair, Tim has been riding four or five times a day every



**YOUTHFUL JOCKEY:** Tim Mowry, 17, of Otsego, atop powerful Bob, is preparing for Allegan county horse fair Oct. 4-6 at Allegan county fairgrounds. Holding horse is Tony Julien who, with Lee Sheridan, is co-manager of horse fair, termed largest non-parimutuel event in Michigan. Fair managers report that Tim has more experience than any jockey his age in the state. (Prosch-Jensen photo)

weekend this summer in races in Ohio, Indiana and New York. A big break for Tim came last fall when he acquired his own horse, a bay quarterhorse named Pesky Deck. Besides his races for Clark and other owners, Tim has ridden Pesky Deck eight times, finishing first three times, second four times and fifth once.

The youth's interest in becoming a jockey increased since age 15, when he worked as a groom and exerciser for Sheridan on his Otsego farm. Tim receives support from his mother, Mrs. Bobbi Mowry, and other relatives. Meanwhile, he's saving his money, hoping some day to be a trainer with his own stable.

\$5.6 Million  
Expenditure  
AnnouncedCovers Much Of  
Southwest Michigan

By BILL HAMILTON  
Paw Paw Bureau  
CASSOPOLIS — General Telephone Company announced plans last night to expend more than \$5.6 million for expansion and improvement of local and long distance telephone service in its southwestern Michigan service area in 1969.

Donald Prigmore, southern division manager for the company, made the announcement to a press conference at the Diamond Harbor Inn near Cassopolis.

The southern division of the company consists of 37 exchanges in six districts—Allegan, Dowagiac, South Haven, Coldwater, Sturgis and Three Rivers.

Over \$2.4 million will be spent on additional central office switching equipment, pole lines, underground cable, and other local service facilities. About \$339,000 will be allotted to long distance cable and related facilities.

Prigmore said that in the past year, long-distance use of telephones was up 12 per cent. This was far beyond all expectations, he said, and therefore General Telephone is attempting to keep ahead of the demand by making a 20 per cent increase in facilities next year, as well as another 20 per cent in 1970.

The following amounts have been tentatively allocated for new facilities and engineering for area telephone exchanges:

Allegan — \$164,900; Gobles — 46,800; Lawton — \$28,800; Mattoon — \$3,900; Paw Paw — \$156,900; Cassopolis — \$32,500; Decatur — \$37,500; Dowagiac — \$294,000; Edwardsburg — \$55,400; Sister Lakes — \$2,500; Bangor — \$5,600; Covert — \$28,800; Fennville — \$25,700; Ganges — \$86,400; Hartford — \$5,000; Saugatuck — \$32,400; South Haven — \$285,000.

## LONG DISTANCE LINES

The bulk of the money spent in these areas will be for two purposes—addition of long distance lines to points which are at present heavily-loaded, and addition of more terminals and switching equipment in the offices to allow more one-party line installations and to reduce the number of telephones on multi-party circuits, Prigmore said.

Nearly \$2.4 million will be spent for the replacement of worn-out or outmoded tools, furniture, vehicles, telephone instruments, lines, cables and poles.

In several areas, the expenditures will be for more lines to provide extended area service (toll-free calls) in exchanges for which approval has been given.

Man Sought  
In Berrien  
Is Arrested

PAW PAW — A man wanted in Berrien county on charges of breaking and entering and buying stolen property has been arrested in Van Buren, according to Paw Paw state police.

Troopers said Robert Wayne Utley, also known as Robert W. Merritt, 21, route 2, Watervliet, was arrested when he was observed driving erratically on the highway.

He was charged with careless driving and driving while his license was revoked. Police said a routine file check indicated he was wanted in Berrien County.

Utley was arraigned by Justice Julius Pozivilko, and entered pleas of guilty to the driving offenses. He was sentenced to pay \$75.50 fine and costs plus three days in jail on the license offense, and \$30.50 fine on the careless driving, or spend ten days in jail.

Troopers said a Berrien county detainer was filed on Utley at the Van Buren jail.



**ARMY THANKS:** Certificates of appreciation were presented yesterday by the U. S. Army recruiter, Sgt. Henry Floyd, to officials of the Berrien county selective service office. Receiving the army's thanks for help in recruiting were Mrs. Pauline Pence, clerical assistant (left) and Mrs. Lillian Weimar, executive secretary of the local board. In making the presentation, Sgt. Floyd cited their cooperation in supplying information and records facilitating recruitment and referring prospective Army enlistees to the recruiter. (Staff photo)

Police Break Alleged  
Area Burglary Ring

South Haven state police and Benton township officers last night arrested six young men and seized a truck allegedly containing \$2,500 worth of loot

Allegan Man  
Arrested  
As Forger

PAW PAW — An Allegan man has been arrested on bad check charges, according to Paw Paw state police.

Troopers said Kenneth Norman, 31, was arrested by Van Buren sheriff's deputies and turned over to their department. He is charged with uttering and publishing a stolen forged check, cashing it in the Bloomingdale area.

Norman was arraigned before Justice C.B. Miller of Paw Paw and entered a plea of innocent. Bond was set at \$5,000, and Norman was remanded to jail when the bond was not immediately furnished.

## DECATUR STORE

Wheelbarrows Used  
To Cart Away Loot

DECATUR — Thieves who broke into Gale's Hardware store here Wednesday apparently used three new wheelbarrows from the store to wheel away their loot, according to police.

Decatur police and Paw Paw state troopers said the theft of at least one gun and a large quantity of ammunition was discovered yesterday morning by owner G.R. Gale when he opened the store shortly after 7 a.m.

Gale told officers that a .30-.30 rifle was missing from the store, along with a large number of shells of all sizes and types.

Police said the loot was apparently loaded into the three wheelbarrows and out the back door, then down the alley to where a car was presumably parked. The three barrows were left on the street, according to officers.

Four Youths Arrested  
In Covert Vandalism

COVERT — South Haven state police reported they have arrested four boys, aged 14 to 16, in connection with defacing a wall of the Covert fire station.

Officers said the youths arrested Wednesday, are to be petitioned to Van Buren juvenile court. Meanwhile, they were remanded to their parents.

Jerry Sarno, Covert township supervisor, reported that he will ask township attorney, Sheldon Rupert of Paw Paw, to investigate to determine whether a \$100 township reward is to be

given and to whom. Sarno said the reward was posted for information leading to arrest and conviction of persons who used black spay paint to inscribe "Black Power," "Soul Saints" and other words on the brick wall.

from a wave of Twin City area burglaries. Benton township Patrolman Ronald Imoos said statements from three of the suspects indicated the goods were taken in more than 20 burglaries of business places, schools and two golf clubs.

Recovered items included tape recorders, phonographs and movie projectors, which Imoos said came from area schools; sporting goods, liquor, shirts, a living room set and a television.

Three men were arrested by South Haven state police in a truck while allegedly enroute

from a farm north of Coloma to Benton township. Charged with possession of stolen property were Harvey Richards, 22, and Allan Brunson, 21, both of 650 Crystal avenue, Benton township; and George Brunson, 20 of 867 Empire avenue, Benton Harbor.

Township police charged three others with breaking and entering — James W. Hankins, 28, of route 4, Benton Harbor; Timothy A. Smith, 17, of 2067 Taylor street, Benton Heights, and Peter C. Sink, 21, of 1411 Rose avenue, Benton township.

Deadline  
Will Be  
Saturday

Allegan Apple

Queen Contest

FENNIVILLE — The deadline for entering the Allegan county apple queen contest has been extended to 6 p.m. Saturday, reported Mrs. Larry Symons, a contest official.

Mrs. Symons said the extension beyond the deadline today is because only three girls have entered. Girls interested may phone Mrs. Symons, Route 1, Fennville, by 6 p.m. Saturday.

The county queen will be selected at 8 p.m. next Thursday, at Fennville high school. The winner will enter the state apple queen contest, scheduled in connection with the Michigan Horticultural society meeting next December in Grand Rapids.

Entrants must be between 17 and 25, residents of Allegan county and have some connection with the apple industry, even if it is limited to picking or having parents who picked apples.

State Will  
Hold Series  
Of HearingsResidents May  
Decide Final  
Split Of County

By JERRY KRIEGER  
County Farm Editor

Residents of Van Buren county may get a chance to express their feelings at a public hearing in late October or November about a new state community districting plan that proposes most of Van Buren should annex to Southwestern Michigan college district in Cass county.

As adopted by the State Department of Education earlier this week, the plan calls for an undefined "small portion" of Van Buren to go to Lake Michigan college district in Berrien county. And it proposed that the part of Mattawan school district lying in Van Buren county go to the new Kalamazoo Valley college district.

The remainder of Van Buren is proposed for annexation to the Cass county district.

The "small portion" of Van Buren proposed to go to the Berrien district has not been spelled out in detail, according to Dale Arnold, public information director for the state education department. Unofficially, however, it is considered to include Covert and South Haven townships and the City of South Haven, and possibly Geneva and Bangor townships, Arnold and other officials of the department indicated. "The exact area would be determined by the wishes of the people there," Arnold stated.

## PUBLIC REACTION

According to Arnold, public reactions to the districting plan will be heard at a series of six public hearings expected to be conducted at various points in the state in late October and in November. He added that dates and places have not yet been set for the hearings, but that the meeting sites will be geographically central in various portions of the state.

The six hearings will not be limited just to the new districting plan, but will also cover the education department's overall Plan for Higher Education in Michigan.

## OPPOSITION LOOMS

Several department officials indicated they were aware of some opposition in Van Buren to the proposed division of the county, but added the purpose is to offer them an opportunity to belong to an adjacent community college district. Any actual annexations must have the approval of the voters in each unit involved.

The education department several months ago ruled out creation of a community college district comprised only of Van Buren county.

The community college districting plan proposed a maximum of 32 districts to cover the entire state. The districts would embrace all of the state's area.

As adopted Tuesday, the plan makes provision for a new district encompassing Ottawa county and the northern half of Allegan county.

The southern half of Allegan county is recommended for annexation to the Kalamazoo Valley district.

Ham Radio  
Group Elects  
New Officers

Last night the Blossomland Amateur Radio association elected new officers for its 1968-69 service year at its regular meeting in the Berrien County courthouse. Newly elected officers are: president, Tom Adams, WA8ZJT; vice president, Tom Butler, WA8-WTS; secretary, Bob Janssen, WA8WNZ; treasurer, Doyle Strandland, W8CGD; and activities co-chairmen, Jerry Tolma, W8GPB, and Jack Leishman, K8YZW.

The association meets at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at the courthouse. Persons interested in amateur radio are invited to attend the program.

## BIAFRA TO FIGHT ON

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Encircled Biafra will fight on and its leaders will not flee to establish a government in exile, the Biafran leader, Lt. Col. C. Odumegwu Ojukwu, said today.

National Red Cross  
Is Short Of Funds

John Otte Jr., a member of the national board of directors of the Red Cross, last night told the 51st annual meeting of the Berrien county chapter of the Red Cross that the organization nationwide is critically short of funds.

Otte told the meeting of about

100 chapter members at Howard Johnson's restaurant that the organization has approximately \$8 million to last until next year for disaster relief.

"But the problem is that the Red Cross spends on the average of \$10 million a year for disaster relief," Otte said.

Otte said that Hurricane Betsy and the Alaskan earthquake, both of which struck in 1965, had a particularly sapping

effect on Red Cross disaster funds.

## MAY REORGANIZE

To help the organization operate more economically, Otte said the national board of directors is seriously considering a reorganization of the nationwide structure.

He said such a reorganization would de-emphasize the individual county chapters.

According to Otte, a special subcommittee on reorganization has been drafting a report which it will present to the board of directors in October calling for reform.

One of the major suggested reforms, Otte said, would be emphasis on the merging of several local county chapters to help assure greater local services.

But, he said, the existence of local county chapters would not be interfered with.

## OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

In other business, the chapter re-elected last year's officers for another term. They included: Chairman, William Rogers; vice-chairman, J. Dean Owen; secretary, Esther Forrester; and treasurer, Edna Holloway. Elected as members of the board of directors until 1971 were: Mrs. E.L. Garrett, Robert Garrett, Mrs. Fred Lindenberg, Mrs. Joseph Mackin and Dean McKinney.

Re-elected for second terms on the board of directors were: Charles Crider, Mrs. Donald Engel, and Richard Peters.

Leaving the board of directors after six years were: Reginald Armstrong, Alice and Oliver Richards, and Mrs. E.L. Whitaker.



JOSEPH OTTE, JR.  
Addresses Berrien Unit

## CABLE BROADCAST

South Haven Starring  
In Own TV Telecast

SOUTH HAVEN — The City of South Haven is to be featured in a special television program at 7 p.m. next Monday on Cable TV channel 6, in the first live telecast in this city.

The program will feature Mayor J. Glenn Sperry and City Manager Al Pierce, who recently was named to his post. The telecast will be the first in a series of live reports on various communities.

The programs are to be presented by G' TEC Cable TV in South Haven, in cooperation with radio station WJOR, announced Chester Connor, manager of G' TEC, a subsidiary of General Telephone & Electronics.

North River  
Valley Jaycees  
Plan Supper

HARBERT — The North River Valley Jaycees have invited all Jaycees of the community to be their guests at a pancake and sausage supper Saturday at 6:30 p.m. in the Harbert Community Educational center. Projects of the North River Valley will be presented.

Jaycees are asked to make reservations with James Miller by calling 426-3367.